

BLACK CREEK PARK

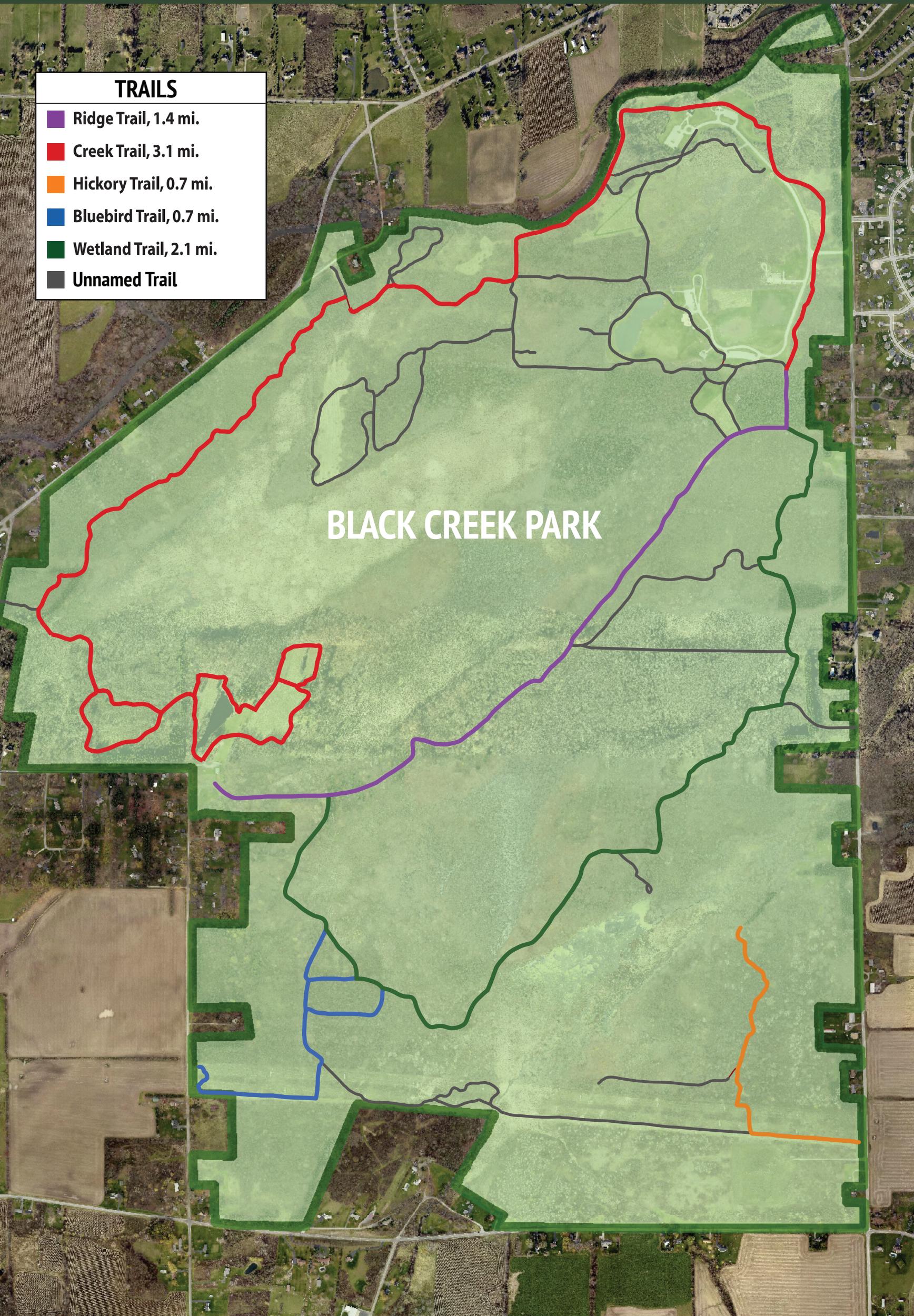
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for more information:
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TRAILS

-  Ridge Trail, 1.4 mi.
-  Creek Trail, 3.1 mi.
-  Hickory Trail, 0.7 mi.
-  Bluebird Trail, 0.7 mi.
-  Wetland Trail, 2.1 mi.
-  Unnamed Trail

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PARK HOURS:

- Park Hours are from **6 am until 11 pm.**
- Park access and services vary seasonally, please contact 753- PARK (7275) for more details.

GENERAL PARK RULES:

- **Carry-in Carry-out rule:**
which means you must take all your garbage with you for disposal after leaving the park.
- **All pets must be leashed and you are responsible for cleaning up after them.**

If you have rented a LODGE:

- Park Staff will unlock the lodge for you prior to your arrival time stated on your reservation confirmation.

If you have rented a SHELTER:

- Park Staff will stop by to check your permit.

Interested in renting a lodge or shelter?

- Try the online reservation system at monroecounty.gov/parks
or
- Call **585-753-PARK (7275)**

TRAIL INFORMATION

RIDGE TRAIL

This is an easy 1.4 mile walk (one-way) over gently rolling terrain. Dominant shrubs are honeysuckle, autumn olive and hawthorn blooming mid-May into June. There is a short walk through an oak, hickory and maple woods. At the Woodside Lodge end of the trail there is a very pleasant scenic overlook where you can sit on a park bench and view acres of parkland and several bluebird boxes.

CREEK TRAIL

This trail is a moderate 3.1 mile walk (one-way) over gently rolling terrain. Distance alone earns this trail begins alongside a beautiful little pond. Look for Canada geese and a variety of ducks. One of the highlights of this is the floating boardwalk in the cedar bog area. Look for sensitive fern, horsetails, oaks, red maple and cedar trees and a variety of wildflowers. Fields of dogwood, hawthorn, honeysuckle and autumn olive bring a constant chorus of birds. Watch for wild turkey among the oaks and various nut trees. Maple oak and a variety of other trees form a canopy over your head. River otter were released here in the 1990's. It is a great picnic spot with tables and grills and has canoe access.

HICKORY TRAIL

This trail is an easy 1.4 mile walk over flat terrain. It begins in open fields of multi-flora rose and dogwood shrubs. The field is filled with songs of robins, woodpeckers, red-winged blackbirds, warblers, thrushes and pheasant. Look for eastern cottontail rabbits. The fields and pathways are dotted with wildflower, so look for butterflies. The last portion of the trail may have poison ivy so take caution. The trail ends in a maple and hickory woods, including impressive shagbark.

BLUEBIRD TRAIL

This trail is an easy 1.2 miles walk over generally flat terrain that winds among honeysuckle, hawthorn and dogwood shrubs that flower in May-June and bear fruit for the birds and other wildlife summer through winter. Many songbirds, including warblers, cardinals, thrushes robins, cedar waxwings, and of course bluebirds can be found. This walk is great for birders all year. There is a pioneer woods of mostly ash, which turns a brilliant yellow in the fall. Don't be surprised if a deer or red fox run across your path.

WETLAND TRAIL

This too is an easy walk over gently rolling terrain of 2.1 miles (one-way). The path is dotted with wildflowers that will attract butterflies. The highlight of the trail is the hardwood swamp area with floating boardwalks. There are red maples that turn a brilliant red in the fall and ash trees that turn a brilliant yellow. Look for mayapple, sensitive fern, woodbine, wild geranium, yellow ragwort, and marsh marigolds in May. Other portions of this trail pass through spruce, black walnut, beech, staghorn sumac and hickory trees, so keep a lookout for wild turkey. Red fox, eastern cottontail rabbit and white tailed deer may also be seen.

Please be aware of seasonal changes in trail conditions and be prepared for natural conditions such as mosquitoes and poison ivy in some areas.

Bicycles are not allowed on trails.

For your safety horses are not allowed on boardwalk trails.